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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: R. N. Kang
TSUYOSHI SHIBATA ET AL.)
: Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 09/987,530)
: Filed: November 15, 2001)
: For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD,)
PRINTER AND STORAGE MEDIUM: December 12, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant's petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action of August 11, 2005, to and including Sunday, December 11, 2005; payment for the extension fee is enclosed.

In response to that Office Action, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows. The changes to the specification are at page 2, those to the abstract begin at page 3, those to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 5, and the Remarks begin at page 13.

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